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As a below named inventor, I declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are stated below next to my name, the information given herein is true, that I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below), or a first and joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below, or on additional sheets attached hereto) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which patent is sought on the invention entitled:

OPTICAL COUPLER COMPRISING MULTIMODE FIBERS AND METHOD OF MAKING THE SAME

which is described and claimed in (check one of the following):

- ☒ the attached specification;
☐ the specification in application Serial No. _____, filed _____;
☐ PCT International Application No. _____, filed _____;
(if applicable) and amended on _____.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

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